

University of Northern Colorado
LIBERAL ARTS COUNCIL
North Hall Conference Room
February 16, 2016
MINUTES

Attendance: Fitzpatrick, Urbach, Bentz, Baird, Nelson, Smith, Markowksi, Franklin, Dickensheets, Milstead

Absent: Trelogan, Martinez, Couch, Johnson, Martin, Weber, Reardon

Guests: Black, Turner, Sharp, Marston, Springsteen

Meeting called to order at 3:32pm

Announcements (Fitzpatrick) – Reminder that next week is the special LAC meeting at the UC, Spruce C from 3-5pm. There is a new portal/database at the Dean of Students office where faculty can submit all instances of student misconduct. Faculty Senate is working on a process for handling student misconduct including students' rights for appeal.

Chair's Report (Fitzpatrick) – No report

Standing Reports

GE Council Report (Bentz) – Faculty-to-Faculty Conference will be April 18th. The topic is not set yet. The AP and IB cut scores have been approved. UNC will have to implement these scores, but this is not a problem since the university is already using these scores. Bentz has not received feedback from state regarding the outcomes.

AVP Report (Smith) – No report

Core Curriculum Committee Reports – No report

Guest Presentations

WHICE Passport Initiative Grant Presentation (Bob Turner/Kate Springsteen) – See documents on SharePoint site.

DISCUSSION: UNC is participating in this phase 3 stage, but has not fully committed to be a Passport school. In August there will be a training for institutional Passport Specialists. In July 2016, faculty will submit mapping critical assignments to Passport learning outcomes. Provost volunteered UNC for this pilot program. UNC is committed to assisting this program in its phase 3 stage. If participating in WHICE gives UNC another lens to improve upon the current courses, then it will be a benefit to the university. Students and faculty will be asked to provide input.

Assessment Council's Institutional Learning Outcomes Project (Black) – Deferred

Unfinished Business

F2F documents and discussion - Deferred

Syllabus standard update – Deferred

Institutional data collection – Deferred

AY 15-16 Goals - Deferred

Creating an LAC curriculum

Create procedures for regular assessment of courses in the core

Area Competencies

Course Reviews (ensure that the syllabus and learning outcomes are clearly aligned with State competency requirements)

New Business

Comments to the Good of the Order
Meeting adjourned at 5:01pm

Colleen Fitzpatrick, Chair
Abby Pekar, Recording Secretary